

## CAMP SHERMAN MEDICAL SERVICE EQUAL TO BEST

**Cleveland Physician Reports That Army Doctors Handle Problems Efficiently.**

(By Associated Press to The Banner) CLEVELAND, April 13—Medical service rendered Ohio's selective draft soldiers at Camp Sherman is as good as can be obtained in any hospital in the country, according to a report filed with James R. Garfield, manager of the Lake Division, American Red Cross, by Dr. C. F. Hoover, a prominent Cleveland physician who is a member of the staff of the military relief bureau of the Lake Division. Dr. Hoover made his report following a visit at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe.

"The manner in which infectious diseases such as meningitis, diphtheria, pneumonia, scarlet fever, measles and mumps have been handled in the camp has been beyond reproach," says Dr. Hoover in his report. "All the work," he continues, "has been done with all the promptness and all the thoroughness which either military or civil critics could demand."

"From time to time we have heard vague criticism of an unfavorable character directed toward the base hospital and camp service at Chillicothe, but I am sure that there are no criticisms of an unfavorable character which are well founded or have any validity. As hospitals stand today in war times, I can truthfully say there is not a hospital in Cleveland so well or so efficiently organized as the base hospital at Chillicothe, and I do not believe there is a hospital in the state which is its equal."

"Very few men among the troops at Chillicothe could possibly have as good care at home as they have in camp. I am sure if I were ill, there is no place in Ohio where I could feel more secure than in the professional services I should receive than at the base hospital at Camp Sherman. There is much which could be said in praise of the organization and executive work of the two regular army officers, Col. DeWitt and Col. Huber. But what the people of the state wish to know is whether the boys in camp are having adequate care when they are in need of it. Of all this they may be assured. The professional service is not only adequate but it is of superior excellence and it gives the great pleasure to have the opportunity to pay some tribute to the devoted service and ability of the men who are responsible for the medical service of the camp."

### FARMERS TOO BUSY

(By Associated Press to The Banner) LISBON, O.—The courts here are experiencing trouble in obtaining jurors at this time because farmers say they cannot spare the time to serve.

## HI COST HITS POPCORN MAN

**Camouflage Resorted To As Business Principle**

### THE BAGS ARE SMALLER

Since the advent of the war and the constant aviation of prices of all manner of human provender the peanut man has been constantly on the alert for some form of barge that would serve to give him a well-fed appearance and at the same time leave him the semblance of a bank balance. Not long ago a local citizen remarked that popcorn and peanuts, pebbles food if you will, but nevertheless popular with all, had remained the same in price, costing now as always only 5 cents the bag. Now comes the rude awakening.

The price on these articles has kept pace with other prices and the ultimate consumer has been merely spared the shock of this discovery through a system of camouflage resorted to by the dealers, who merely reduce the size of the packages and kept the price the same as before.

A local dealer in these commodities says that he formerly bought popcorn at \$45 the ton—he now pays about \$200. Peanuts cost him about \$100 the ton in the "good old days"—they now cost him nearly \$400.

"There's a reason for the advance all right," he explains, "the peanut crops have been poor—awfully poor and then since ordinary corn has become so valuable the growing of popcorn has fallen off to such an extent that the inadequate supply can demand such fancy prices."

## W. C. T. U. MEETINGS

FRANCES WILLARD  
(By Press Reporter)

The Frances Willard W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Hubert Walker Tuesday afternoon. The meeting opened by singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers." Mrs. Iva Walker read a part of the 37th Psalm. The president offered prayer. "Rally for Victory" was sung.

During the business session, it was stated that reports are being circulated that General Pershing is permitting our boys in France to have intoxicating liquors. Pamphlets containing this are nothing more or less than German propaganda and why people will circulate them (and the Germans) is certainly very inconsistent. The subject of thrift stamps was again brought before the society. The superintendent of soldiers and sailors, Mrs. Craig, reported a committee meeting to be held soon when the service flag representing the sons of the Frances Willard union will be unveiled.

A rumor is going that a wet petition is being quietly circulated, calling for an election. Arrangements will be made to have the signatures published that all may know who want saloons in our city.

The superintendent of purity department, Mrs. Manville, had charge of the program and spoke on the subject from a new standpoint. She said while we hate sin, we should love the sinner and reach out a helping hand to those who go wrong, and observe the rule given us by Christ: "Let him that is without sin among you cast the first stone."

Reading, Are Lost Girls Always Lost?—Mrs. Cunningham.  
Reading, To Better the Race—Mrs. Iva Walker.  
Reading, If Dad Had Only Told Me—Mrs. Loney.

Reading, The Outer Court—Mrs. Tilton.  
"Parentalism and Perfect Motherhood"—Mrs. Lizzert.  
Solo, "Joy of the Morning"—Miss Ruth Walker.

Mrs. Manville made the closing prayer. Adjourned to meet April 23.

## WAR IS A FAMILY AFFAIR BRETT'S SEEM TO THINK

**Six Men Of Cleveland Household All Are In Service Of United States.**

(By Associated Press to The Banner) CLEVELAND, O., April 12—Six members of the Brett family of Cleveland are in the war service of Uncle Sam. Four of them are in the army (two in active service in France) while two more are working in civilian lines.

W. H. Brett, chief librarian of the Cleveland public library, is the head of the patriotic family. He wears a little service pin with four stars, which he explains, means that he has three sons and a son-in-law in the army.

Librarian Brett's two sons at the front are Lieut. Colonel Lewis Brett and Major George H. Brett. The former, of the ordnance arm of the service has been acting as aide to Secretary of War Baker in his inspection tour of the American expeditionary forces in France, while Major Brett is at aviation headquarters in Paris.

Lieutenant William H. Brett, Jr., recently received his commission at the Fort Myer training school and is at the Rock Island arsenal. The son-in-law, Captain Ralph Spangler, is at Watertown, N. Y., arsenal.

Mr. Brett has been temporarily assigned to the library war service board of the American Library Association to supervise a group of camp librarians at Norfolk, Va., and the librarian's second son, Allen Brett, is giving his time to the work of the Cleveland library war council.

## MAROON AND WHITE AUTO TAGS FOR 1919, OFFICIALS DECLARE

Automobile license tags for 1919 will be made with white, raised numerals on a maroon background. The word "Ohio" will be in monogram form and come before the figures as in the 1916 tags.

The above was announced recently by the board of administration and state officials who were authorized to select the color and design of the tag.

### TO GO ON HIKE

The Cadets and Juniors of the Y. M. C. A. will take a bicycle hike on Saturday, May 4.

## ALIMONY DECREE IS AWARDED DEFENDANT IN DIVORCE ACTION

**Native Of Greece Would Be A Citizen Of U. S.; Court House News**

Entry has been filed in the common pleas court showing that Maude M. Dowds has been granted permanent alimony in the matter of the divorce petition filed by her husband, Thompson Dowds.

### Files Declaration—

Thomas Batros, a native of Greece, has filed his declaration of intention to become an American citizen in the common pleas court.

### Final Account—

William H. Hites, executor of the estate of Ella Neptune, has filed his first and final account in the probate court, showing \$2,377.47 received and \$2,398.21 expended, leaving a balance of \$20.74 due the executor.

### Account Filed—

The second account of Elva Loney, executor of the estate of Reuben C. Loney, has been filed in the probate court, showing \$1,033.34 received and \$1,033.34 expended, leaving a balance of \$0 due the executor.

### Files Account—

Carrie G. Herring, executrix of the estate of William B. Shinnaberry, has filed her first account in the probate court, showing \$200 received and \$203.97 expended, leaving a balance of \$203.97 due the executrix.

### Real Estate Transfers—

Frank Hawkins to Alex H. Reynolds, 79 acres in Hilliar, \$1,200.  
W. G. Zolman to C. O. Rooney, parcel in Fredericktown, \$1.  
A. F. Stauffer to Katherine Kerin, city property, \$1.  
A. F. Stauffer to Eugenia B. Aler, city property, \$1.  
James L. Thompson to James H. Cochran, 100 acres in Miller, \$1.  
Anna V. Tinkey to Clark Bateman, city property, \$1.

## BRITISH CABINET MEETINGS OPEN TO ARMY MEN

**Fighting Forces Send Representatives To Discuss Future Policies In Conducting War.**

LONDON, March 29—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Representatives of the British fighting forces on land and sea attend every meeting of the British War Cabinet, communicate to the members of the cabinet the latest information concerning the war and consult with them on important questions.

At these conferences the army is represented by Maj. Gen. Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, Chief of the Imperial Staff, and the navy by Vice Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss, First Sea Lord of the Admiralty.

How the British War Cabinet operates in deciding upon war policies and directing Britain's share in the war is told in the annual report of the Cabinet now published for the first time in history.

"At each meeting," says this official statement of the workings of the inner circles of the British government, "the cabinet begins by hearing reports as to the progress of the war since the preceding day. Unless it wishes to confine its deliberations to general questions of policy, it then proceeds to deal with questions awaiting its decision. As these questions in the vast majority of cases affect one or more of the administrative departments, almost all its meetings are attended by the ministers and their chief departmental officials concerned."

"The majority of the sessions of the War Cabinet consist, therefore, of a series of meetings between members of the War Cabinet and those responsible for executive action at which questions of policy concerning those departments are discussed and settled. Questions of overlapping or conflict between departments are determined and the general lines of policy throughout every branch of the administration co-ordinated so as to form part of a consistent war plan."

"Ministers who are not members of the War Cabinet are permitted to bring with them to the cabinet meetings experts from their own depart-

ments or from elsewhere and often do so when expert opinion is needed to decide an important question.

"In peace times, sessions of the British Cabinet were infrequent but under war pressure this has changed. The War Cabinet has held 300 sessions in the past year."

## STUDENTS WHO WILL DO FARM WORK JOIN GOV'T. BOYS' RESERVE

**To Secure Blanks; Will Dismiss Pupils Under Plan Of U. S.**

Shortly after blanks had been made out permitting local high school students to stop school and work on farms this spring, literature was received from the United States Boys' Working Reserve, through the state organization, requesting the school authorities to give their consent to the high school pupils joining it.

Since the blanks sent out by the reserve, to be filled by the boys and their parents or guardians, were almost identical with those prepared by the authorities here, Supt. Zemer has written the assistant state superintendent asking him to send more blanks. It was decided that the high school pupils could join the reserve on the condition that any week they might do would not take them out of the city or away from their country homes.

By enrolling in this organization each "farmer" will be permitted to wear the official badge and, if he is fit, will receive a certificate proclaiming him a member of this reserve.

The monthly reports will be made to the school authorities here just the same as though they had not joined the Boys' Working Reserve.

## PRISONERS INFECTED WITH TUBERCULOSIS GERMS BY GERMANS

**Canadian Soldier Tells Of Hun Atrocities; Predicts Mighty Counter Attack.**

(By Associated Press to The Banner) CLEVELAND, O., April 12—Major Ross C. Cockburn, returned soldiers candidate at the Canadian elections, is back in Cleveland to assist in the third Liberty Loan campaign. He predicted a counter attack by the Allies in France on a magnitude that will completely dwarf the recent German offensive. He also told of German atrocities to prisoners of war.

"Literally there are millions of American, French and British reserves impatiently waiting for a chance to get at the Hun hordes," he said. "I have just left a party of exchanged prisoners at Toronto," he said. "Before they left the German internment camps every man was infected with tuberculosis germs. This is no hearsay, no idle gossip. I have spoken to the men, and can furnish the names and addresses of each one."

Captain Arthur Ratcliffe Dugmore, of the Yorkshire Light Infantry, who was with Major Cockburn, said there is no term in the English language to adequately describe the brutalities and indignities inflicted on allied prisoners in German camps.

## STRUCK BY ENGINE; FRENCH IS INJURED

**Has Large Gash Inflicted Over Eye; Shoulder Also Is Sprained**

Struck by an engine, which he thought was on another track, J. A. French, of Chester street, had a large wound inflicted in his forehead just above the left eye and his left shoulder sprained, at 6 o'clock Friday morning.

French is a local B. & O. track foreman and was working on a side track near the Chestnut street crossing. An engine started to back, some distance away, but French thought it was on the main track so kept on with his work. The corner of the tender struck him.

Aloysius Durbin of E. Battery is spending a furlough with relatives in Danville. Durbin spent Saturday in this city.

## HERE TO REGISTER MT. VERNON MEN FOR SHIP YARD WORK

**Representative Of National Defense Council In City Thursday**

In connection with an appeal to young men to help the United States in winning the war, a representative of the Council of National Defense was here on Thursday and will return in several days to enlist young men and the older boys to work in the shipyards of the country.

While here, the representative was at the Hotel Curtis where boys desiring to enter the work made application. He returned to Columbus Friday morning, but during his absence blanks may be obtained at his stopping place here.

Several local young men have enlisted their services to aid in the shipbuilding program.

The plan is that the young men desiring to enter the work shall register, go to Columbus and, if they pass a physical examination, will be sent to a shipyard to begin work—if not, return passage will be given to this city.

## PHYSICAL TEST WAS TOO EXACTING; CAPT. WELKER LEAVES ARMY

Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Welker of Gambier have received a letter from their son, Captain Vincent B. Welker, formerly of E. Battery, in which Captain Welker says that he failed to pass the rigid physical examination of the officers were subjected to and as a result has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted.

Captain and Mrs. Welker are now visiting his sister, Mrs. John M. Roddenberry, at Folkston, Ga.

The Banner Has Up-to-Press-Hour News Service.

## SEC. GATES RECEIVES ENTRANCE BLANKS FOR PIG GROWING CONTEST

Three boys have made application for entry blanks to put their porkers in the pig-growing contest to be held at the county fair this fall. Up to Thursday no blanks for the purpose had been received by Secretary Howard C. Gates, but arrived on that day. Any boy who desires to enter his pigs in the contest may do so by calling on Mr. Gates and securing an application blank.

## FEATHERED FOLK ARE UNUSUALLY FRIENDLY THIS YEAR, IS REPORT


Birds over the city have been growing exceptionally friendly of late. Wednesday afternoon a dove flew in

to the Pittsburgh Plate Glass factory, and stayed until fed by the men working there. The last two days a robin has been pecking at the windows at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Proper on Ridgely street, evidently wanting to be invited in. There are many birds around the house, Mr. Proper says, but only the one robin persists in being the unwanted guest.

## SUBS. ARE FILLING IN; TWO TEACHERS AWAY

Several substitutions have been necessary in the public schools this last week owing to the fact that two of the regular teachers have been in Montgomery, Ala. Mrs. Harold Seymour and Mrs. Earl O'Bryan are expected to return here and again take up their teaching duties at the beginning of next week.

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